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In view of applicant's request for consideration with proposed amendment and notice of appeal dated 4/11/2008 all proposed claims have been considered.

The proposed amendment incorporates limitation “wherein said flame retardant component is the sole flame retardant component in the pressure sensitive adhesive”. If entered the proposed amendment would overcome the prior art of record, since art applied against present claims requires synergistic mixture of ammonium polyphosphate with another nitrogen containing compound. Therefore the flame retardant component is a synergistic mixture of two compounds. However, the above amendment would require another search to ensure validity of the allowable subject matter.

In addition, the examiner has difficulty of locating explicit support for the proposed amendment. Granted that the applicants only mention in their specification ammonium phosphate, however there is no statement that would indicate that addition of other flame retardants is excluded.

In order for the amendment to be search the applicants are requested to file an RCE. In addition the examiner would like to discuss with the applicants newly added limitation and the specific support.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Katarzyna Wyrozebski whose telephone number is (571) 272-1127. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thurs 8:30 AM-2:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Wu can be reached on (571) 272-1114. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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